

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :  
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TRANSMISSION TERMINAL DEVICE, DATA  
DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, AND RECEPTION  
TERMINAL DEVICE

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced U.S. patent application please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claim as follows:

18. (Amended) The data distribution system according to Claim 4, wherein said display data transmitter transmits, as the display data for display of the document data, a display program including edition data generated in the data edition unit, or image data indicating the edited document data in the static state, or a digest of the edited document data.

Please add the following new claims:

--19. The data distribution system according to Claim 9, wherein said display data transmitter transmits, as the display data for display of the document data, a display program

including edition data generated in the data edition unit, or image data indicating the edited document data in the static state, or a digest of the edited document data.

20. The data distribution system according to Claim 12, wherein said display data transmitter transmits, as the display data for display of the document data, a display program including edition data generated in the data edition unit, or image data indicating the edited document data in the static state, or a digest of the edited document data.--

**REMARKS**

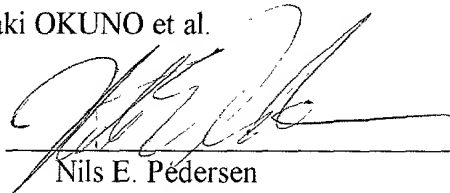
The present Preliminary Amendment is submitted to delete the multiple dependency of the claims, thereby placing such claims in condition for examination and reducing the required PTO filing fee.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current Amendment. The attached page is captioned "**Version With Markings to Show Changes Made**".

Respectfully submitted,

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18. (Amended) The data distribution system according to [any of Claims 4, 9, and 12] Claim 4, wherein said display data transmitter transmits, as the display data for display of the document data, a display program including edition data generated in the data edition unit, or image data indicating the edited document data in the static state, or a digest of the edited document data.